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**WINGO IN SAN NICOLAS DESTROYED BY
FIRE**

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SAN NICOLAS - Shortly after 12 noon, Tuesday, a fire broke out in the branch of the west India Mercantile Co. (Wimco) in San Nicolas. The San Nicolas Fire Brigade and members of the Lago Fire Department quickly rushed to the scene, but the fierce fire was already so far advanced that nothing could be done to save the contents of the building, which consisted mostly of electric household appliances such as, refrigerators, televisions, radios, washing machines, stoves etc. There was also a large stock of liquor and cosmetics in the building. Cause of the fire is being investigated. The Wimco building was a landmark in San Nicolas for many years; it formerly housed the Electra, an electricity supply company, and Palais Royal, a household appliances firm.

**GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES STRIKE
AGAINST 10 PERCENT CUT IN SALARY**

ORANJESTAD - A strike called by the GABA, SEPA, and SIMAR unions against the 10 percent cut in the salary of all Island Government employees was termed a huge success according to the unions leaders. The first protest action was a three

hour strike Tuesday morning from 7 to 10 am which started with a meeting in the IOWUA club attended by some 2000 people and 1700 car parade which passed in front of the office of the Executive Council blowing horns as a sign of protest against the uni-

lateral measures taken by the government. Although the Island Government is maintaining its position that the cut in salary is caused by the drop in revenue due to the abrupt closure of the Lago oil refinery, the unions are of the opinion that the cause

of the deficit in the island's budget is due to the fact that the Executive Council cannot give account for the sum of 300 million guilders which the Lago paid the Island Government long before Exxon announced that Lago would cease operation on mar-

ch 31. In a press conference Monday afternoon the Deputy of Finance, Mr. Milton Henriquez, said that the 10 percent cut in the salary of the Island Government employees is extremely necessary at the moment and is a precautionary

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Editor's Corner

TALKING ABOUT SERVICE?

On many occasions we have heard complaints from our readers about the poor service at one government office or another. But as one reader puts it "there is no department where the service is as bad or worse than at the Telephone Service. This week we were told by one of our readers in San Nicolas that it is more than a month since he asked for his telephone to be moved from one address to another. He said that when he went to the office in Oranjestad he was not told that he would have to pay for his telephone to be moved he received a bill for the amount he owned up to that date and he paid it, thinking that was all and they would come to move his phone, but that is when the proverbial "way of the cross" started. From then he has been calling the office many times a day to inquire about his phone, but they keep passing him on from one person to the other and nobody seems to know what's going on, nor nobody told him that he would have to pay to move the phone. Finally one day, three weeks after he made the request a man came to check where he wanted the phone placed, since the former tenants also had a phone, he thought to make it easier he would put the phone on the same spot since the connection is already there, but to his surprise then he was told that they have to put a new plug and that they are going to bring another phone, although nothing is wrong with that phone and that he will also have to pay to get the phone back! He was given another form

to sign and was told to go to the office in Oranjestad the following day to pick up the same form which he would have to take to the receiver's office, pay for the phone, and return it back to the Telephone Service administration. Our reader said that when he went to Oranjestad on a Friday he was told that he would have to return either Monday or Tuesday because there they hadn't received the form from the other department yet! Up to the time of this writing our reader still didn't get his phone, after more than a month since he requested the Telephone Service department just to move than a month since he requested the Telephone Service Department just to move his phone from one address to another. We cannot understand why it should take so long for such a simple matter. In fact it seems that at all government offices they try to make things more difficult instead of easier for the taxpayer. Why should something that could be done in two days at the most take ~~wheels~~ If the ELMAR can move a meter in less than 72 hours why must it take so long to move a phone? A government department is there to serve the community, not like a supermarket or grocery that service only a certain area, but the entire island. Formely the Telephone Service had an office in San Nicolas, but now when there are more people with telephones in Aruba's second largest city, a telephone subscriber has to lose time and money to go all the way to Oranjestad and still end up getting such rotten service.

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Village Talk



by WILLY

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De schoolchildren dem say dat dey jus had canival vakashun but it look loik jus' now de goin' have stroik vakashun.

A lady tell Willy dat she wudn't loik to be in de politishuns shoes dees days. She say dey gettin' blows back, belly, an' soid-ways.

It look loik wha' de old man had tell Willy comin' to pass fo' true. He had say dat aftah canival is bacanal !!

A old lady in de village tell Willy dat she buy a strap ah fish an' she carry it home, she say she jus' turn she back to go buy some limes, when she reach back home dey theif de strap ah fish

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LAGO SEEKING JOBS FOR EMPLOYEES

SAN-NICOLAS - In large number of internationally oriented dually papers, these days an advertisement, paid for by the American parent company of the Lago refinery

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WOMAN'S CLUB OF ARUBA FETED THE PRESS

ORANJESTAD— On Thursday, February 28 the Woman's club of Aruba held a cocktail party for the press in the cocktail lounge of Licores Aruba to thank the media for the cooperation given to the club throughout the years of its existence. The president of the Woman's Club of Aruba, Mrs. Raiza Wilson, welcomed the press and said that she hoped the club will continue receive the same support and cooperation as in the past. It was also revealed that on September 17, 1934, the first meeting

of the Woman's club of Aruba was held in the Lago Community House. 150 ladies were invited by a temporary Board under the direction of Mrs. L.G. Smith, wife of Lago president at that time. Election was held on October 1, and the first Board was installed. It consisted of a president a vice-president, a treasurer and a secretary. In April 1935, the first cookbook was sold for US\$0.50. The women's Club on March 8 1937. The contribution to the federation was US\$1 per year for each local

member. The first delegate from Aruba to the convention of Woman's Club in Kansas city was Mrs. Milne, in May 1938. On July 9, 1947, some ladies from the Eagle Colony and Oranjestad were invited to join the club as associate members. One of the first was Mrs. Jeanette Steele, who became president in 1967; and was a member until last year, when she left Aruba with her husband Mr. Bob Steele. The first honorary members of the club were Mrs. Kwartz (wife of Lt. Governor L.C. Kwartz and Mrs. Horigan (wife of a former Lago president)

The members with the most years in the club is presently Mrs. Naomi Wajcberg, who is an active and dedicated member since 1953. The woman's club of Aruba elected its first non-American president, Mrs. Marie Therese Croes, in 1973. Mrs. Croes

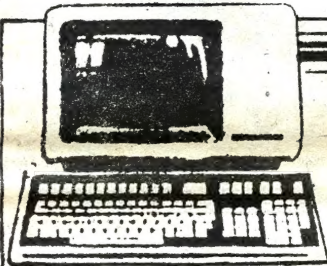
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ORMA ELECTED NEW BOARD MEMBERS

ORANJESTAD— The Oranjestad Retail Merchants Association announced that during its annual members meeting held on February 26, the following members were elected to the board for

1985: Piet Jansen, Gerrit Koolman, Marjorie Vermeer, Paul van Niel and Johnny Nandwani. During the annual meeting the President Raoul Henriquez, Secretary Ebby Arends and Treasurer Mil-

ton Ponson presented the 1984 reports which were unanimously accepted. Plans for 1985 were presented. In a future meeting O.R.M.A. give more information.



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culating here this week, a robbery of about half a

million U.S. dollars in jewels was reported in St. Maarten. Reportedly the jewels were stolen from a branch of Spritzer & Fuhrmann located in the Mullet Bay Beach Hotel. Indications point to the possibility that the theft could be an "inside job" said the rumors.

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ry measure to prevent the government from falling into total bankruptcy with in the next six months. It is the intention of the unions that the strike will be escalated daily if the government does not revoke its decision to cut the salary of all employees by 10 percent as of March 1. The current developments are being closely watched by the entire population of the island, and it is feared that escalation of the strike will affect the supply of such vital commodities as water and electricity.



HORSEBACK RIDING is one of the President's favorite exercises.

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Reagan tries to get in some type of exercise every day to keep himself mentally and physically relaxed.

Horseback riding is one of the President's favorite exercises, but he also lifts weights and does calisthenics in the White House gym, takes long walks and swims at Camp David and even splits firewood and mends fences at his California ranch.

Reagan watches what he eats — he's 6 feet 1 inch tall and weighs about 180 pounds — and drinks little alcohol.

"Mainly he's a plain-food person, a meat and potatoes man," said Grey. "He doesn't count calories, but he is conscious of them and eats accordingly. He watches that he doesn't eat excessive amounts of animal fats and carbohydrates.

"He tries to get to bed at 11:30 and sleep eight hours, but that varies because of his job."

Reagan uses his fine-tuned sense of humor to drain off accumulated tensions, said Grey. And he also avoids stress by relying on close advisers to present all sides of an argument before he makes the final decision.

You can adapt the Presi-

dent's stress-beating regimen to your own life-style, said experts.

Like Reagan, when you feel stress building up, you can melt it away by taking a walk to get away from the source of stress, psychologist Nancy Chiswick suggested.

She also recommended exercising every day like Reagan, and using your hands for chores around the home.

"Exercises prepare you for any stress that is going to come up during the day," said psychiatrist Berthold Schwarz.

The experts also agreed that a sensible diet low in animal fats and carbohydrates and eight hours of restful sleep will go a long way in combating stress.

"Like the President, you can keep stress under control with a sense of humor and laughter," added Dr. Chiswick.

And both experts recommended that you learn from the President's example of relying on close advisers so he doesn't have to carry the load alone.

Said Dr. Chiswick, "Stress and anxiety can literally destroy you if you don't learn to cope with them as the President has."



SPLITTING FIREWOOD is one way the President unwinds when he's at his California ranch.

Subway risk affects riders all over globe

The subway mugger isn't just an American problem — but riders face varied risks:

■ **In Paris:** Attacks and robberies rose from 803 in 1980 to 4,101 in 1984. To blame: "organized gangs" of purse and jewel-snatchers.

■ **In London:** The 122-year-old "Tube" reports about 10,000 crimes a year, but most are by pickpockets.

■ **In Rome:** The new system's first major crime was a firebombing last month.

■ **In Mexico City:** Few serious crimes, but men and women ride separate cars to protect women from physical abuse.

■ **In Tokyo:** Crime is so rare that a national furor was ignited two months ago when a youth punched an elderly rider in the face.

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Dali: "There has never been a great French painter"

MADRID, Spain (UPI) — Artist Salvador Dali, in frail health but still feisty, said in interview published today that modern artists are "losers" who know only how to "hang their paintings upside down."

"Artists are like truffles," the 80-year-old surrealist painter told the "El Pais" newspaper. "There are places where they grow and others where they don't."

With the exception of Picasso and Juan Gris, the eccentric Dali said "all the others are losers. All they know how to do is hang their paintings upside down."

Dali, dressed in a white tunic and a silver-buckled belt, refused to allow a photographer during the 1½-hour interview, his first meeting with the press since April 1983.

"I don't want to be seen with this tube in my nose," he explained.

Dali, in frail health since suffering serious burns in an August 30 bedroom fire, cannot walk without help and is fed through a tube in his nose.

He has lived in seclusion at an apartment adjoining the Dali Museum in his native town of Figueres since being released from the hospital in October. Before the fire, he lived secluded in a restored 12th-Century castle at Pubol, where periodic reports emerged about his eccentric behavior.

In the interview today, Dali said there has never been a great French painter and that without King Louis XIV and his Versailles Palace, "France would be a field of brussels sprouts and artichokes."

Dali had nothing better to say for Spain's late abstract artist Joan Miro.

"Seeing his paintings from afar is enough. They're all the same," he said.



SAN NICOLAS—Deputy Grace Bareño reopened the branch of the Public Library in San Nicolas Monday afternoon in a symbolic manner by putting the first stamp in a book for adults. The branch was restored in such a way as to give optimal service to the people of San Nicolas and its surroundings. Also present at the opening ceremony was the director of the Public Library, Alice van Romondt and employees of the San Nicolas branch.

VIRUS CAUSES ILLNESS THAT COULD BE DENGUE FEVER

Recently, there has been a large number of people with an acute febrile illness. This illness is caused by a virus, and the government health authorities are investigating the possibility that it is the dengue virus.

Dengue fever is spread by the Aedes Aegypti mosquito, which injects the virus when it takes its blood meal. The symptoms of dengue fever are basically the same as for the common flu. Until the results of the

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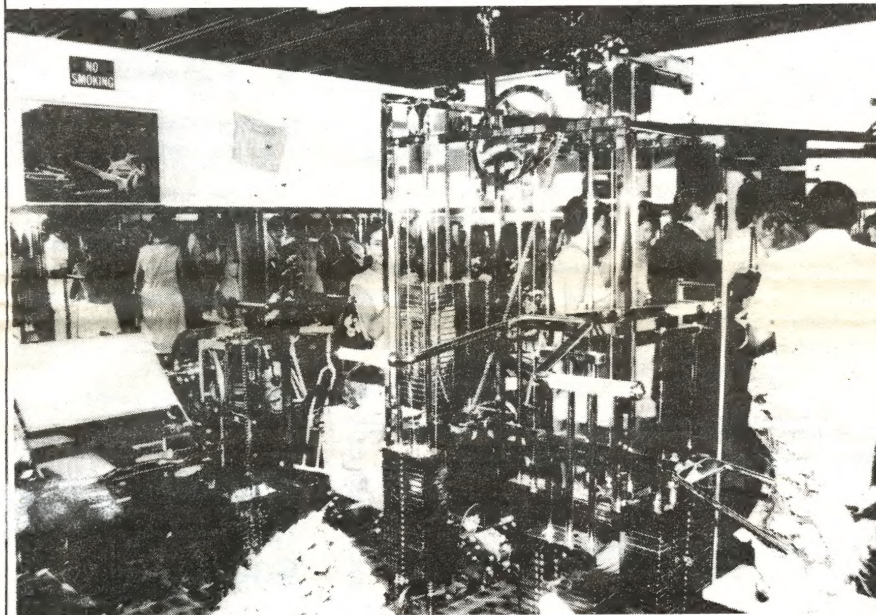
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NATURAL HEALTH CENTER OPENED



Above, from left to right, owners of Nature Health Center Juan & Luz Marina Werleman, and Patsy Lejuez & Hendrik Ponson managers of the center.



The Aerobic and Gym rooms of the Natural Health Center

SAN NICOLAS — A large crowd attended the official opening of the "Natural Health Center" Saturday afternoon. The establishment is located at Helfrichstraat 20, San Nicolas (opposite the Chinese Club).

The Natural Health Center is fully equipped with a spacious gymnasium, satellite sauna & steam sauna, and massage room, and all the modern exercising and massage equipment to please the health buff and all those interested in phy-

sical therapy and the development of the human body by means of athletics and other exercises.

The establishment is a novelty for San Nicolas and Aruba and a necessary asset to the community.

The opening of the Natural Health Center was topped off with a show by a group of young ballerinas who gave a superb performance in coordination and rhythmic dancing to the pop tune "when the rain begins to fall".



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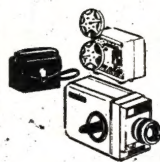
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ARTISTIQUE BOUTIQUE AND CALYPSO REFUTE F.T.A. ACCUSATIONS

ORANJESTAD—

The management of Artistique Boutique and Calypso store issued a communique reacting against certain declarations made by the F.T.A. and employees of the two firms. According to the management, on Friday March 1, the F.T.A. union attacked the two firms in a very low and degrading manner, accusing the management without any apparent reason. It is not the intention of the management to enter into any polemics with the

board of the F.T.A., which it considers a board without scruples. Replying to the insinuation, intimidations and accusations of the union, the management of Artistique Boutique and Calypso openly declares that such deplorable statements have left them totally cold, because it has nothing to hide. It is lamentable that after the management of the firms and the F.T.A. negotiated and signed collective contracts satisfactory to both parties in January, that

the president of the union makes certain declarations to the publicity media that are in strife with all seriousness, ethics and responsibility. In any case if there were grievances among the employees, the management was not aware of these, and it is the shop stewards who would have to attend to such matters. The manage-

ment of the two firms state in the communique that the F.T.A. is furious because it does not want to discuss the list that was sent to the department of Social Affairs concerning the dismissal of some employees. This list was sent to the department in May 1984. The F.T.A. has a copy of the list but now the union is

insisting to talk about changes on the list. In other words the F.T.A. wants to decide for the management of the two firms who should be laid off and who not. The management would like to make it clear that is and will remain a prerogative of the management and that at no was that prerogative conceded to the union in the collective working contract. Further more Artistique and Calypso have not received a reply from the department of Social Affairs to the list which was sent in since May last year. In the meantime the economic situation has continue to deteriorate and the management decided to close Calypso Plaza at the end of last year. That was two months ago and the management has not received permission to lay off employees and they are still on its payroll. The fact that F.T.A. refers in a degrading manner to the directors of the two firms as strangers is absurd and insulting to all foreign businessmen in Aruba. For more than forty years the directors of Artistique Boutique and Calypso have been supporting employment in Aruba, and are doing everything possible for the advancement of Aruba. That is why it is lamentable that such statements were made by the F.T.A. the management of the two firms suggests to the president of the F.T.A. that in view of the bad times now facing us, it would be better to cooperate with each other and refrain from throwing insults, in the face of each other. We sincerely hope that F.T.A. will understand the situation and don't create unnecessary problems that could affect the business and spoil the relationship between employer and employee. We should realize that now is a time when all need each other in order to survive", concluded the communique.




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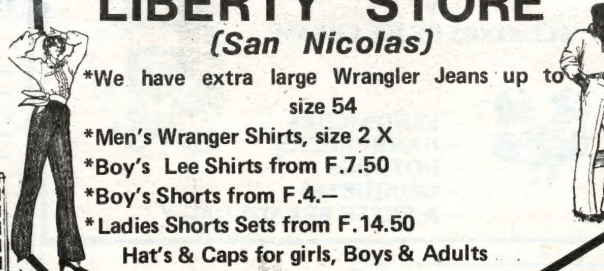
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Author of law legalizing abortion shot at

WASHINGTON (UPI) — Supreme Court Justice Harry Blackmun, who has received numerous death threats for writing the High Court's opinion legalizing abortion, yesterday said he was shot at through the window of his home last Thursday night.

In a statement issued by his office, Blackmun confirmed that one shot had been fired through the front window of his Arlington, Virginia, home. No one was injured, and the F.B.I. is investigating the incident.

Blackmun, who authored

the High Court's 1973 ruling legalizing abortion, has received numerous death threats. The most recent threat, one source said, came last week in a type-written letter.

The letter, postmarked from New York, threatened to blow the Justice's brains out and

the sender said he would attend the 76-year-old Justice's funeral "and laugh."

Another source familiar with the incident said Blackmun and his wife were sitting in the room shortly before the shot rang out. Blackmun had just walked out of the room,

when the shot was fired.

Mrs. Blackmun, who was described as "quite upset," was showered with glass. The bullet, which police said was a 9-mm slug, was found embedded in a chair.

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Woman's club ...

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was president during the 1973-1974 term. The Woman's Club of Aruba now has 185 members all over the islands, its membership is international. Furthermore it is

a social club which dedicates itself to community service and personal development. Its principal activities in the community are giving aid to the chil-

dren in the Dr. Horacio Oduber Hospital, the handicapped, elderly people in the San Pedro Pavilion and Maris Stella etc. The club also holds parties for them on Sinterklaas, Christmas and Mother's Day, and gives donations from the Woman's Club of Aruba Charity Fund. On the occasion of its 50th anniversary the club presented an Oxy Monitor to the Dr. Horacio Oduber Hospital in november 1984. The Oxy Monitor is to help babies who are born with health problems. The woman's Club of Aruba will celebrate its 50th anniversary on march 8, with a dinner-ball in the Americana Hotel. All members,

present and past, and past presidents and their husbands will be invited. A daughter and son of the late Mrs. L.G. Smith, founder of the Woman's club of Aruba, have also been

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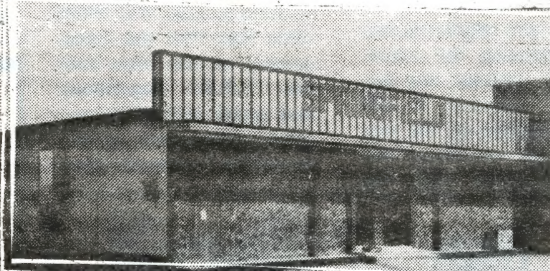


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AMSTERDAM—Prostitutes, some of them masked, in congress in Amsterdam

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gress members said that there must be means for giving service to runaway children to protect them from becoming youth prostitutes, and the governments should make funds available for the rehabilitation of former prostitutes. Furthermore all aspects of voluntary prostitution must disappear from the criminal atmosphere also fraud, oppression, violence, sexual violence with children, child labor, rape and racism should be combatted with all methods available says the prostitutes constitution. The Theme of the congress was "Out-law Poverty, Not Prostitution".

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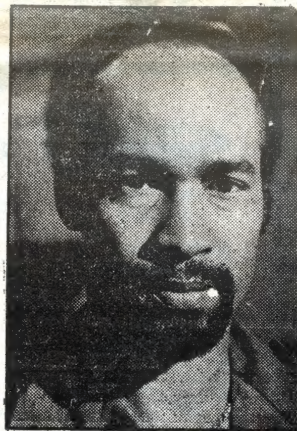


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mander of the Military Police and garrison commander Horb were the only two officers present. According to them some other soldiers under the command of major Horb were also present. The second version of the reports says that based on the statements of other witnesses, not only Horb and Zeeuw were present but also Bouterse and the present garrison commander Baghwandas and other military men of the group of 16 who staged the coupe on February 25 1980. Also politician and later prime minister Ali-bux and the then minister Naardendorp were in the fort for a short while. Circles close to the Surinam government did not comment on the Wako report. Our country has not formed an opinion about the report, because it has not yet been officially published said a government official. A spokesman of the Council for the Liberation of Surinam said that "now that it has become clear that Bouterse shot his opponents in cold blood Holland must re-establish its relations with Surinam

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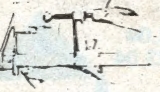

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Relief could be as simple as switching to solutions that don't contain the mercury-laden chemical thimerosal, the specialists said. Patients who can't wear contacts because of redness and irritation commonly assume that it

is allergies to pollen and other irritants that prevent them from wearing their lenses comfortable, declared Dr. J. Randall Miller. But the chemical preservative thimerosal is often the problem in such cases—not allergies. About 10 percent of those who wear hard or soft contact develop problems because of the chemical, according to Dr. Robert Hamburger, a professor of allergy and immunology at the University of Califor-

nia. The irritation problem crops up mainly in people who wear hard contact lenses, although people who wear soft contacts may also develop a sensitivity to thimerosal, Dr. Hamburger said. The hard lenses and ill-fitting lenses tend to irritate and inflame the eye more than soft lenses and make it more vulnerable to the mercury in the lens-treating solutions. "If you wear contacts and are experiencing severe itching, redness, irritation and clouded vision after two or three hours, try thimerosal-free solutions and see if it makes a difference," Dr. Hamburger suggested. Added Dr. Miller, as-

sistent clinical professor of allergy and immunology at the University of California; "Thimerosal sometimes appears under the name Merthiolate, so people who think they are sensitive to the chemical should be careful

to look for both names on the label. Here are four thimerosal-free solutions and their manufacturers: Soft Mate, by Barnes H&D; Unisol 4 and Clerz 2, by Cooper-Vision; Sensitive eyes, by Bausch & Lomb

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in the International Herald Tribune. In it mention is made of the fact that notice of dismissal is a shattering experience for employees. Especially when this dismissal is necessitated by external factors. As a result of economic circumstances the drafter of the advertisement, Job Search Center in Miami, puts, that a big oil company is compelled to terminate its refining and transshipping operations. The refinery cannot just suffice with "a thank s and farewell" and has

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Contest; Thursday, April 18, Special Local Talent Night; Friday April 19, Caribbean Night; Saturday April 20, Queen show; Sunday April 21, Junior Carnival Parade; Monday April 22, Calypso Contest, continued on Tuesday; Wednesday, April 24, International Show; Thursday April 25 Steelband and stringband music; Friday,

April 26, Senior Queen show; Saturday April 27, final of the Calypso contest; Sunday April 28, St. Maarten's Fifteenth Grand Carnival Parade; there will be jump ups and other shows up to May 4 when there will be the presentation of prizes and the Burning of Mommo. The season will be officially closed on Sunday May 5.

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